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## INTRODUCTION

Victoria is situated at the south-eastern extremity of the Australian continent of which it occupies about a thirty-fourth part, and contains about 87,884 square miles. It lies approximately between the 34th and 39th parallels of south latitude and the 141st and 150th meridians of east longitude. Its greatest length from east to west is about 493 miles, its greatest breadth about 290 miles and its extent of coast-line (including the length around Port Phillip Bay, Western Port, and Corner Inlet) 980 miles. It is bounded on the north and north-east by New South Wales from which it is separated by the River Murray and by a straight line in a south-easterly direction from a place near the head-waters of that stream, called The Springs, to Cape Howe. On the west it is bounded by South Australia and on the south and south-east its shores are washed by the Southern Ocean, Bass Strait, and the Pacific Ocean.

The climate of Victoria is characterized by warm summers, rather cold winters, and rain in all months. Mean temperatures in midsummer (January) range from 65 deg. (Fahr.) in the south to 75 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west, corresponding means of daily maxima being 80 deg. (Fahr.) in the south and 90 deg. (Fahr.) in the north-west. In midwinter (July) the mean temperature is generally below 50 deg. (Fahr.), mean of the night minima being below 40 deg. (Fahr.).

# STATISTICS OF VICTORIA

## I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

### VICTORIA—POPULATION.

Period.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Census—			
1901 (31st March) .. ..	603,720	597,350	1,201,070
1911 (2nd April) .. ..	655,591	659,960	1,315,551
1921 (4th April) .. ..	754,724	776,556	1,531,280
1933 (30th June) .. ..	903,244	917,017	1,820,261
At 31st December—			
1942 .. ..	971,026	994,939	1,965,965
1943 .. ..	980,169	1,005,747	1,985,916
1944 .. ..	987,977	1,014,891	2,002,868
1945 .. ..	996,339	1,024,291	2,020,630
1946—			
31st March .. ..	998,762	1,026,911	2,025,673
30th June .. ..	1,000,923	1,029,964	2,030,887
30th September .. ..	1,003,596	1,032,421	2,036,017

*Note.*—Particulars are estimated in respect of dates other than census dates.

### VICTORIA—MARRIAGES, BIRTHS, AND DEATHS.

Period.	Number of—				Rate per 1,000 of Population.(a)			Infantile Mortality.
	Mar- riages.	Births.	Deaths.	Deaths under One Year.	Mar- riage.	Birth.	Death.	Deaths under One Year per 1,000 Births.
Year ended 31st December—								
1939 .. ..	17,368	30,493	20,169	1,085	9·23	16·20	10·72	35·58
1942 .. ..	23,636	35,927	21,973	1,496	12·03	18·28	11·18	41·64
1943 .. ..	18,356	39,117	21,327	1,399	9·27	19·75	10·77	35·76
1944 .. ..	17,857	39,358	20,502	1,258	8·94	19·70	10·26	31·96
1945 .. ..	16,501	41,200	20,496	1,155	8·20	20·48	10·19	28·03
1946 .. ..	21,405	46,693	21,534	1,268	(b)	(b)	(b)	27·16
1946—					Equivalent Annual Rate per 1,000 of Population.			
March Quarter	5,289	10,178	4,736	277	10·47	20·15	9·38	27·22
June Quarter ..	5,707	10,096	5,273	279	11·27	19·94	10·41	27·63
September Qr.	4,678	12,032	6,012	349	9·21	23·70	11·84	29·01
December Qr. ..	5,731	14,387	5,513	363	(b)	(b)	(b)	25·22

(a) Subject to revision. (b) Not available.

## VICTORIA—PRINCIPAL CAUSES OF DEATH.

Cause of Death.	Year Ended 31st December, 1946.	December Quarter—	
		1945,	1946.
Tuberculosis .. .. .	711	164	200
Cancer .. .. .	2,836	677	747
Diabetes .. .. .	432	113	116
Cerebral Haemorrhage, &c. ..	2,138	487	554
Diseases of the Heart .. ..	6,689	1,641	1,705
Arteriosclerosis .. .. .	510	139	130
Pneumonia and Broncho-pneumonia..	1,246	282	287
Diarrhoea and Enteritis .. ..	118	23	27
Nephritis .. .. .	1,301	314	313
Congenital Malformations .. ..	205	42	50
Diseases Peculiar to the First Year of Life .. .. .	734	167	223
Senility .. .. .	706	175	147
Accidental Deaths .. .. .	853	176	272

## II.—LABOUR AND INDUSTRIAL.

## VICTORIA—WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVIL EMPLOYMENT (a) (EXCLUDING RURAL WAGE EARNERS AND FEMALE DOMESTICS IN PRIVATE HOMES).

(Thousands.)

Month.	Government Employment. (b)		Private Employment.		Total Employment.		
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Persons.
1933—June ..	73·2	13·9	215·4	104·3	288·6	118·2	406·8
1939—July ..	90·0	16·8	267·5	126·1	357·5	142·9	500·4
1941—July ..	106·8	25·8	296·6	159·4	403·4	185·2	588·6
1942—July ..	113·0	38·7	260·2	159·9	373·2	198·6	571·8
1943—July ..	108·9	42·6	245·3	161·1	354·2	203·7	557·9
1944—July ..	105·4	40·2	245·5	161·6	350·9	201·8	552·7
1945—July (c) ..	105·0	39·3	250·3	161·4	355·3	200·7	556·0
1946—July (c) ..	114·4	29·5	302·0	164·4	416·4	193·9	610·3
August (c) ..	115·1	28·8	306·4	165·6	421·5	194·4	615·9
September (c) ..	116·6	28·8	311·4	166·6	428·0	195·4	623·4
October (c) ..	117·2	28·7	312·2	167·6	429·4	196·3	625·7
November (c) ..	118·5	28·6	305·8	169·3	424·3	197·9	622·2
December (c) ..	122·4	28·4	302·8	168·8	425·2	197·2	622·4
1947—January (c) ..	122·2	28·3	309·4	168·1	431·6	196·4	628·0
February (c) ..	123·4	28·3	310·6	170·6	434·0	198·9	632·9

(a) Employees in the defence forces, at home or abroad, and Government "relief" workers are excluded. From July, 1941, estimated total employment is based on Pay-roll Tax returns and records of Government employment.

(b) Includes employees of Australian Government authorities (Commonwealth, State and Local) and of Allied Governments.

(c) Subject to revision.

## VICTORIA—UNEMPLOYMENT IN TRADE UNIONS.

(The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were reported out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they include sickness but not persons out of work through strikes or lockouts, except those outside the industry concerned who are indirectly affected. The annual figures represent the average of the four quarters.)

Period.	Trade Unions.		Trade Unions Reporting.		Unemployed in Trade Unions Reporting.	
	Total Number.	Total Membership.	Number.	Membership.	Number.	Percentage.
1938 Year .. ..	147	215,021	79	124,184	10,718	8.6
1939 „ .. ..	149	216,803	78	125,628	13,032	10.4
1940 „ .. ..	147	232,288	77	131,105	7,573	5.8
1941 „ .. ..	146	270,343	79	151,902	3,742	2.5
1942 „ .. ..	142	302,782	79	176,749	2,032	1.2
1943 „ .. ..	142	311,791	77	196,784	1,356	0.7
1944 „ .. ..	141	314,952	77	194,387	1,634	0.8
1945 „ .. ..	139	306,649	77	186,112	1,548	0.9
1946 „ .. ..	..	..	75	191,632	2,400	1.3
1932—June Quarter (a) ..	..	..	81	117,083	32,395	27.7
1945—March Quarter ..	..	..	77	189,588	1,446	0.8
June Quarter ..	..	..	77	188,934	1,549	0.8
September Quarter ..	..	..	76	185,126	1,437	0.8
December Quarter ..	..	..	76	180,799	1,759	1.0
1946—March Quarter ..	..	..	75	188,265	2,416	1.3
June Quarter ..	..	..	75	188,058	2,011	1.1
September Quarter ..	..	..	74	194,387	2,548	1.3
December Quarter ..	..	..	74	195,818	2,624	1.3
1947—March Quarter ..	..	..	74	198,772	3,143	1.6

(a) Peak of unemployment.

*Note.*—The unions covered by the returns, which are furnished to the Commonwealth Statistician, represent about 60 per cent. of the total membership of unions, and relate to between 20 and 25 per cent. of all wage and salary earners. The value of the percentages of unemployment derived from Trade Union returns is in the indication they give of the trend of unemployment among trade unionists as reported by secretaries of Trade Unions.

## VICTORIA—BASIC WEEKLY WAGE RATES FIXED BY COMMONWEALTH COURT OF CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION. (a)

(Adult Males.)

Payable as from—	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnam- bool.	Five Townships— Weighted Average.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1st September, 1939	81 0	77 0	76 0	80 0	80 0	80 0
1st February, 1946	98 0	94 0	95 0	96 0	99 0	98 0
1st May, 1946 ..	98 0	94 0	95 0	96 0	99 0	98 0
1st August, 1946 ..	99 0	95 0	96 0	97 0	99 0	99 0
1st November, 1946	99 0	95 0	96 0	97 0	99 0	99 0
1st December, 1946	106 0	101 0	102 0	104 0	106 0	106 0
1st February, 1947 ..	107 0	101 0	103 0	104 0	107 0	106 0
1st May, 1947 ..	107 0	102 0	103 0	106 0	107 0	107 0

(a) "Court" Series Index-Numbers. Includes "prosperity loadings" (6s. per week).

*Note.*—For information relating to the basic wage payable in a specified industry, reference should be made to the Court Award or the State Wages Board Determination or the Award or Determination of any Special Industrial Tribunal appointed to deal with wages and conditions in respect of that industry.



## III.—PRICE INDEXES.

VICTORIA—ALL ITEMS ("C" SERIES) RETAIL PRICE INDEX—NUMBERS (COST OF FOOD, GROCERIES, HOUSING—4 AND 5 ROOMS, CLOTHING AND MISCELLANEOUS HOUSEHOLD REQUIREMENTS).

(Base: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities of Australia, 1923-27=1,000.)

Period.	Melbourne.	Ballarat.	Bendigo.	Geelong.	Warrnambool.	Five Towns—Weighted Average.
November 1914 ..	671	..	..	..	..	..
" 1921 ..	1,003	992	1,002	1,019	1,034	1,003
Year 1932 ..	813	776	808	794	838	811
" 1939 ..	924	874	875	911	918	920
" 1940 ..	964	906	920	941	954	960
" 1941 ..	1,008	950	963	984	998	1,004
" 1942 ..	1,100	1,037	1,054	1,065	1,078	1,095
" 1943 ..	1,139	1,084	1,096	1,110	1,126	1,135
" 1944 ..	1,135	1,083	1,101	1,112	1,129	1,131
" 1945 ..	1,135	1,086	1,099	1,113	1,139	1,131
" 1946 ..	1,149	1,094	1,107	1,124	1,153	1,145
1945—March Quarter	1,132	1,086	1,099	1,114	1,135	1,129
June Quarter	1,134	1,086	1,098	1,112	1,135	1,131
September Qr.	1,135	1,085	1,099	1,114	1,139	1,132
December Qr.	1,137	1,085	1,099	1,112	1,145	1,133
1946—March Quarter	1,141	1,089	1,101	1,117	1,146	1,137
June Quarter	1,150	1,094	1,105	1,126	1,154	1,146
September Qr.	1,149	1,095	1,107	1,121	1,152	1,145
December Qr.	1,157	1,096	1,114	1,132	1,159	1,153
1947—March Quarter	1,159	1,104	1,118	1,144	1,164	1,156

Note.—The above index has been computed by the Commonwealth Statistician.

## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX—NUMBERS.

The index of wholesale prices was first computed by the Commonwealth Statistician in 1912 and relates chiefly to basic materials and foods weighted in accordance with consumption in the years immediately preceding that date. Neither the component items nor the weighting have been varied. Consequently the index is a measure of changes in wholesale price levels based on usages which have altered substantially since the period on which the weighting was determined. As such it is useful as an indication of long-term trends over the past 85 years which it covers, on the assumption that the relative importance of component items remained constant. But it no longer serves as a measure of price variations from month to month or from year to year of commodities weighted in accordance with present-day consumption. Reference to a description of the index published in the annual *Labour Report*, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, will indicate that animal fodders preponderate in the "Agricultural Produce" group, while "Building Materials" include little besides imported timber. In other groups, some principal items have increased in consumption while others have decreased. A new wholesale price index, covering basic materials and foodstuffs, has therefore been computed, in which the items have been regrouped and reweighted as indicated, and comparative index-numbers back to 1928-29 are published in the next statement.



## MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX—NUMBERS.

(Base : 1911 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Wool, Cotton, Leather, &c.	Agri-cultural Produce, &c.	Dairy Produce.	Groceries.	Meat.	Building Materials.	Chemicals.	All Groups.
1861 Year ..	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1871 " ..	1,096	1,257	1,236	864	1,586	..	1,044	1,409	1,220
1881 " ..	1,178	1,115	1,012	935	1,421	..	1,091	1,587	1,121
1891 " ..	895	847	1,024	995	1,032	888	780	1,194	945
1901 " ..	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911 " ..	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
1921 " ..	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1931 " ..	1,826	1,039	1,121	1,399	1,794	1,508	2,025	2,166	1,428
1939 " ..	1,758	1,101	1,820	1,557	1,752	1,710	2,220	2,075	1,665
1941 " ..	1,960	1,402	1,721	1,554	1,884	1,776	3,138	2,527	1,796
1942 " ..	2,146	1,507	1,900	1,665	1,938	2,312	3,409	2,437	1,977
1943 " ..	2,272	1,945	1,964	1,716	1,939	2,366	3,764	2,442	2,117
1944 " ..	2,278	1,967	2,052	1,721	1,949	2,470	3,768	2,442	2,159
1945 " ..	2,270	1,960	2,259	1,726	1,967	2,560	3,770	2,527	2,228
1946 " ..	2,262	2,062	1,950	1,722	1,977	2,589	3,772	2,614	2,163

## WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX—NUMBERS—BASIC MATERIALS AND FOODSTUFFS.

Following a conference of Statisticians in 1930 an index by the Commonwealth Statistician has been computed from new data on prices and consumption. Both in contents and method of computation it differs from the Melbourne Index of Wholesale Prices published in the foregoing statement. The price quotations have in the main been obtained directly from manufacturers and merchants, and, with a few important exceptions, from Melbourne sources. Apart from home-produced building materials, coal and one or two minor commodities, however, the price movements may be taken as representative of fluctuations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets. The weighting system adopted is based on average annual consumption during the years 1928-29 to 1934-35 inclusive.

(Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939 = 1,000.)

Period.	Metals and Coal.	Oils, Fats, and Waxes.	Textiles.	Chemicals.	Rubber and Hides.	Building Materials.	Foodstuffs and Tobacco.	Goods Principally Imported. (a)	Goods Principally Home Produced.	All Groups.
1928-29 ..	1,269	1,064	1,288	1,214	1,148	948	1,070	911	1,183	1,103
1931-32 ..	1,081	1,134	765	1,195	738	951	857	996	932	946
1940-41 ..	1,074	1,374	1,105	1,236	1,256	1,284	1,069	1,325	1,060	1,140
1941-42 ..	1,173	1,509	1,184	1,372	1,350	1,352	1,169	1,525	1,123	1,242
1942-43 ..	1,288	1,667	1,471	1,422	1,379	1,628	1,279	1,760	1,212	1,373
1943-44 ..	1,310	1,695	1,501	1,432	1,398	1,743	1,287	1,824	1,217	1,396
1944-45 ..	1,307	1,676	1,518	1,428	1,398	1,747	1,308	1,819	1,232	1,405
1945-46 ..	1,302	1,561	1,518	1,416	1,398	1,766	1,344	1,782	1,254	1,410
1946-47—										
July ..	1,300	1,519	1,523	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,345	1,766	1,257	1,407
August ..	1,300	1,462	1,530	1,118	1,398	1,783	1,333	1,745	1,245	1,393
September ..	1,300	1,462	1,803	1,418	1,398	1,783	1,331	1,743	1,255	1,398
October ..	1,300	1,459	1,874	1,417	1,308	1,783	1,337	1,757	1,256	1,404
November ..	1,300	1,459	1,954	1,390	1,398	1,787	(b) 1,369	1,794	(b) 1,267	(b) 1,422
December ..	1,300	1,418	1,945	1,390	1,398	1,788	(b) 1,366	1,762	(b) 1,270	(b) 1,415
January ..	1,301	1,442	1,973	1,391	1,398	1,795	1,373	1,758	1,284	1,424
February ..	1,340	1,444	2,022	1,391	1,398	1,796	1,371	1,757	1,294	1,430
March ..	1,340	1,440	2,026	1,391	1,398	1,803	1,390	1,752	1,310	1,440

(a) Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the wholesale price index. This index does not measure changes in price of imports generally.

(b) Revised.

# IV.—COMMONWEALTH SOCIAL SERVICES AND REPATRIATION BENEFITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Pensioners at End of Period.		Widows Pensions (b) in Force at End of Period.		Maternity Allowances (c) Granted During Period.	Child Endowment (e)	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Maintaining a Child.	Not Maintaining a Child.		Claims Current at End of Period.	Endowed Children at End of Period.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1913-14 Year ..	27,150	4,844	..	..	(d)	..	..
1920-21 .. ..	30,385	11,174	..	..	36,778	..	..
1930-31 .. ..	49,999	19,925	..	..	32,241	..	..
1938-39 .. ..	(a)67,896	(a)19,471	..	..	20,819	..	..
1940-41 .. ..	76,371	12,447	..	..	19,150	..	..
1941-42 .. ..	75,240	12,550	..	..	16,120	124,463	219,680
1942-43 .. ..	72,102	11,938	3,574	7,136	11,874	124,986	218,551
1943-44 .. ..	69,156	12,446	3,684	8,283	38,653	128,381	220,884
1944-45 .. ..	67,240	12,598	3,575	9,039	40,582	131,526	224,146
1945-46 .. ..	69,308	13,599	3,565	9,183	40,991	135,377	229,982
1st July, 1946, to 31st March, 1947	73,195	14,461	3,733	9,242	39,052	139,813	242,316

(a) During 1939-40 all invalid pensions in force were specially reviewed and, at 30th June, 1940, all those pensioners who had become qualified for old-age pensions by age and residence were transferred to the old-age pensions list.

(b) Commenced from 1st July, 1942.

(c) The income restrictions imposed in 1931 and 1932 and modified in 1934, 1936, and 1937 were abolished as from 1st July, 1943.

(d) Not available.

(e) Commenced from 1st July, 1941. Particulars exclude endowed children in approved institutions.

Period.	Unemployment Benefits.(a)				Sickness Benefits.(a)			
	Entrances During Period.		On Benefit at End of Period.		Entrances During Period.		On Benefit at End of Period.	
	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1945-46 Year ..	2,632	63	564	15	8,246	1,923	1,387	403
1st July, 1946 to 22nd February, 1947 (b) ..	12,219	411	1,740	55	7,067	2,021	1,725	620

(a) Commenced from 1st July, 1945.

(b) Subject to revision.

Period.	War Pensions.				Service Pensions.(a)	
	Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Dependants of Deceased Members of Forces.	Dependants of Incapacitated Members of Forces.	Total.	Members of Forces.	Dependants of Members of Forces.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
At 30th June—						
1921 .. ..	26,053	15,410	33,338	74,801	..	..
1931 .. ..	25,066	10,994	60,142	96,202	..	..
1939 .. ..	25,569	8,412	48,264	82,245	1,876	1,330
1941 .. ..	25,107	7,977	41,036	74,120	2,092	1,353
1942 .. ..	25,375	8,493	38,435	72,303	3,034	1,462
1943 .. ..	25,921	9,251	36,583	71,755	2,105	1,204
1944 .. ..	27,552	10,114	35,802	73,468	2,071	1,193
1945 .. ..	30,138	10,755	37,334	78,227	2,145	1,148
1946 .. ..	36,020	13,157	43,849	93,026	2,296	1,106
At 31st March, 1947 .. ..	39,147	13,199	47,291	99,637	2,485	1,115

(a) Commenced from 1st January, 1936.

*Note.*—Particulars are inclusive of war pensions in respect of 1914-1918 War and of service pensions in respect of Boer War and 1914-1918 War.

## V.—SHIPPING AND COMMERCE.

### VICTORIA—OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE SHIPPING.

Heading.	Year ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Vessels Entered—					
Number .. ..	2,979	1,681	1,494	1,412	1,442
Tons .. ..	8,537,085	3,281,980	3,000,917	2,998,775	3,485,783
Average tonnage .. ..	2,866	1,952	2,009	2,124	2,417
Vessels Cleared—					
Number .. ..	2,989	1,678	1,499	1,444	1,434
Tons .. ..	8,479,995	3,260,936	2,986,356	3,096,963	3,482,275
Average tonnage .. ..	2,837	1,943	1,992	2,145	2,428

OVERSEA TRADE—RECORDED VALUES OF IMPORTS INTO AND EXPORTS FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS.

Period.	Merchandise.	Bullion and Specie.	Total.
IMPORTS (BRITISH CURRENCY).			
Year ended 30th June—	£	£	£
1939 .. .. .	35,015,419	439,917	35,455,336
1940 .. .. .	41,908,342	675,333	42,583,675
1941 .. .. .	45,529,833	701,382	46,231,215
1942 .. .. .	59,054,017	727,001	59,781,018
1943 .. .. .	109,471,254	961,790	110,433,044
1944 .. .. .	89,214,923	1,037,389	90,252,312
1945 .. .. .	64,507,613	260,929	64,768,542
1946 .. .. .	53,952,607	95,742	54,048,349
Nine months ended 31st March, 1947			
(a) .. .. .	46,958,343	101,315	47,059,658
EXPORTS (AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY).			
Year ended 30th June—	£	£	£
1939 .. .. .	28,387,611	2,431,401	30,819,012
1940 .. .. .	36,431,975	3,387,216	39,819,191
1941 .. .. .	36,742,855	8,604,708	45,347,563
1942 .. .. .	42,622,218	135	42,622,353(b)
1943 .. .. .	34,549,851	..	34,549,851(b)
1944 .. .. .	36,546,893	..	36,546,893(b)
1945 .. .. .	40,070,161	..	40,070,161(b)
1946 .. .. .	49,505,101	26,411,264	75,916,365
Nine months ended 31st March, 1947			
(a) .. .. .	63,452,040	9,454	63,461,494

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Exclusive of Victoria's portion (which is not available) of exports on Government account estimated for Australia at £A.12,600,000 in 1941-42, £A.2,500,000 in 1942-43, £A.10,000,000 in 1943-44, and £A.2,000,000 in 1944-45.

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS. (SUBJECT TO REVISION.)

(British Currency Values.)

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—	£	£	£	£
Fish .. .. .	41,198	91,626	137,092	157,172
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	18,462	30,255	47,616	124,017
Total, Class I. .. .. .	59,660	121,881	184,708	281,189

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.—</b>	£	£	£	£
Nuts, Edible .. .. .	25,039	32,674	30,002	103,078
Spices .. .. .	24,511	8,591	109,544	105,026
Coffee and Chicory .. .. .	26,365	62,159	78,670	99,736
Tea .. .. .	514,541	515,304	1,212,989	1,427,377
Cocoa and Chocolate .. .. .	82,349	201,078	217,728	226,057
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs, &c. ..	124,907	79,149	248,976	115,751
Total, Class II. .. .. .	797,712	898,955	1,897,909	2,077,025
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS .. .. .</b>	8,660	26,665	26,020	51,145
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF .. .. .</b>	94,742	285,422	1,107,698	816,780
<b>CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS .. .. .</b>	42,740	58,934	67,095	95,751
<b>CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—</b>				
Hides and Skins .. .. .	58,433	109,997	287,490	635,657
Wool .. .. .	..	89,250	..	149,280
Silk, Raw .. .. .	..	122,648	..	267,293
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	8,188	71,670	28,976	152,425
Total, Class VI. .. .. .	66,621	393,565	316,466	1,204,655
<b>CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—</b>				
Seeds .. .. .	116,614	72,688	463,708	438,365
Fibres .. .. .	233,296	564,162	701,961	1,218,195
Gums, Resins, and Balsams .. .. .	54,895	68,587	91,139	177,839
Cork and Cork Manufactures .. .. .	16,799	21,376	59,596	76,515
Plastic Materials (except Fibres) ..	111,991	127,023	555,188	348,769
Other Vegetables Substances .. .. .	83,081	80,500	154,162	210,878
Total, Class VII. .. .. .	616,676	934,336	2,025,754	2,470,561
<b>CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—</b>				
Yarns .. .. .	567,443	500,541	1,358,115	1,423,271
Manufactured Fibres .. .. .	174,418	567,081	465,808	967,115
Textiles—				
Piece Goods .. .. .	1,910,194	2,294,797	5,218,746	6,684,867
Other .. .. .	191,275	302,652	769,834	1,065,940
Apparel .. .. .	214,539	340,443	410,417	874,188
Total, Class VIII. .. .. .	3,057,869	4,005,514	8,222,920	11,015,381
<b>CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES— Petroleum and Shale Oils—</b>				
Petroleum .. .. .	506,159	936,889	1,397,618	1,826,261
Kerosene .. .. .	110,862	102,570	262,798	310,109
Residual .. .. .	165,932	148,482	496,550	621,295
Lubricating (Mineral) .. .. .	198,643	197,084	373,707	507,981
Other .. .. .	11,761	25,489	62,129	160,010
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes .. .. .	100,222	98,914	210,707	350,225
Total, Class IX .. .. .	1,093,579	1,509,428	2,803,509	3,775,881



VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES .. .. .	103,418	113,700	224,267	294,000
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. ..	105,714	220,861	291,222	489,010
CLASS XII.(a)—METALS AND MANU- FACTURES—				
Iron and Steel—				
Plate and Sheet .. .. .	446,057	598,873	1,547,952	1,540,146
Other .. .. .	48,316	62,432	115,688	144,737
Tools of Trade .. .. .	70,808	79,545	432,613	214,399
Vehicles—				
Aircraft and Parts .. .. .	485,059	268,904	2,463,188	1,314,848
Motor Cars, &c.—				
Complete .. .. .	104,630	18,920	1,944,597	103,790
Bodies, Chassis, and Parts ..	173,428	1,272,836	309,382	3,567,216
Other Vehicles and Parts .. ..	80,608	130,287	158,993	320,263
Other Metals and Manufactures ..	227,655	414,794	772,201	1,238,922
Total, Class XII.(a) .. .. .	1,636,561	2,846,591	7,744,614	8,444,321
CLASS XII.(b)—DYNAMO ELECTRICAL MACHINERY, APPLIANCES, EQUIP- MENT, ETC.—				
Dynamo Electrical Machinery ..	36,823	77,643	118,262	208,387
Wireless (Radio) Equipment .. ..	36,727	17,222	416,392	57,061
Other Electrical Machinery, &c. ..	314,490	293,984	925,559	722,522
Total, Class XII.(b) .. .. .	388,040	388,849	1,460,213	987,970
CLASS XII.(c)—MACHINES AND MACHINERY (EXCEPT DYNAMO ELECTRICAL)—				
Motive Power Machinery and Appliances .. .. .	369,295	377,931	1,702,883	1,555,968
Metal Working Machinery and Appliances .. .. .	59,834	152,652	180,547	355,183
Roller and Ball Bearings .. .. .	63,691	56,682	277,061	142,688
Other Machines and Machinery ..	461,101	645,318	1,148,270	1,736,493
Total, Class XII.(c) .. .. .	953,921	1,232,583	3,308,761	3,790,332
Total, Class XII. .. .. .	2,978,522	4,468,023	12,513,588	13,222,623
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—				
Crude Rubber, Rubber Waste, Mas- ticated, &c. .. .. .	345,999	157,659	897,772	1,175,186
Rubber Manufactures—				
Tires, Pneumatic and Other ..	4,989	19,310	42,632	118,559
Elastics .. .. .	32,560	56,025	53,361	123,368
Other .. .. .	5,966	46,094	21,266	122,922
Leather and Leather Manufactures ..	5,524	17,399	16,129	37,358
Total, Class XIII. .. .. .	395,038	296,487	1,031,160	1,577,393
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER—				
Timber .. .. .	118,342	182,279	354,250	411,090
Other Wood and Wicker .. .. .	17,297	26,928	50,365	82,324
Total, Class XIV. .. .. .	135,639	209,207	404,615	493,414



VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED FROM OVERSEA COUNTRIES INTO  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE—	£	£	£	£
Glass and Glassware .. ..	49,351	89,321	158,345	217,217
Crockery and Household Ware ..	73,974	101,783	174,996	279,411
Other Earthenware, &c. .. ..	30,578	36,974	62,883	74,178
Total, Class XV. .. ..	153,903	228,078	396,224	570,806
CLASS XVI.(a)—PULP, PAPER, AND BOARD—				
Pulp for Papermaking .. ..	139,260	22,452	285,061	422,351
Paper—				
Printing .. ..	209,580	320,596	551,637	999,696
Writing and Typewriting .. ..	48,334	95,122	165,223	358,534
Wrapping .. ..	64,900	129,647	119,068	312,122
Other .. ..	43,889	41,680	97,400	161,237
Millboards and Other Boards ..	27,721	36,954	63,090	111,307
Total, Class XVI.(a) .. ..	533,684	646,451	1,281,479	2,365,247
CLASS XVI.(b)—PAPER MANUFACTURES AND STATIONERY—				
Books (printed), Directories, &c. ..	147,745	160,898	398,059	544,733
Other Stationery, &c. .. ..	88,392	124,565	185,637	325,143
Total, Class XVI.(b) .. ..	236,137	285,463	583,696	869,876
Total, Class XVI. .. ..	769,821	931,914	1,865,175	3,235,123
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES—				
Fancy Goods, including Sporting Materials and Toys .. ..	24,984	104,132	70,407	321,032
Jewellery .. ..	49,244	46,760	83,376	209,797
Timepieces .. ..	90,105	65,605	290,742	193,851
Total, Class XVII. .. ..	164,333	216,497	444,525	724,680
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS .. ..	186,738	177,674	494,023	525,132
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS—				
Drugs and Chemicals .. ..	404,036	591,177	1,030,598	1,542,456
Fertilizers .. ..	211,085	237,687	639,594	632,723
Total, Class XIX. .. ..	615,121	828,864	1,670,192	2,175,179
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives ..	63,375	103,840	2,984,689	331,322
Bags, Baskets, &c. .. ..	991	20,078	4,030	60,437
Brushware .. ..	4,282	19,501	7,497	60,823
Outside Packages .. ..	233,802	335,553	614,502	889,132
All Other Articles .. ..	173,495	220,295	372,463	520,901
Total, Class XX. .. ..	475,945	699,267	3,983,181	1,862,615
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER : BRONZE SPECIE .. ..	23,279	34,114	83,548	101,315
Grand Total .. ..	11,945,730	16,659,386	40,053,799	47,059,658

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS (SUBJECT TO REVISION).  
(Australian Currency Values.)

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
	£	£	£	£
<b>CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, NOT INCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—</b>				
<b>Meats—</b>				
<b>Preserved by Cold Process—</b>				
Beef .. .. .	23,761	93,319	37,582	389,286
Lamb .. .. .	219,966	875,195	435,180	2,531,750
Mutton .. .. .	28,017	137,448	180,294	466,719
Pork .. .. .	89,432	17,706	321,365	149,048
Rabbits and Hares .. .. .	8,128	76,115	69,281	261,758
Other .. .. .	33,597	86,447	107,907	237,953
Preserved in Tins .. .. .	416,466	369,351	1,093,380	1,563,664
Sausage Casings .. .. .	68,358	67,729	146,710	220,584
Other .. .. .	80,787	52,539	253,505	141,371
Butter .. .. .	1,588,462	1,617,949	3,669,465	4,657,673
Cheese .. .. .	91,360	373,671	432,021	1,007,660
Eggs .. .. .	323,127	263,440	566,014	756,383
Milk and Cream .. .. .	298,759	623,185	1,084,289	2,209,058
Other Animal Foodstuffs .. .. .	56,841	210,114	541,682	444,390
<b>Total, Class I. .. .. .</b>	<b>3,327,061</b>	<b>4,864,208</b>	<b>8,938,675</b>	<b>15,037,297</b>
<b>CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN: NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.—</b>				
<b>Grains and Cereals—</b>				
<b>Unprepared—</b>				
Wheat .. .. .	45	311,792	97	311,832
Millet .. .. .	949	11,756	3,487	60,094
Other .. .. .	..	15,652	..	17,488
<b>Prepared—</b>				
Barley, pearl and scotch .. .. .	7,146	31,918	9,427	136,721
Rice .. .. .	17,240	27,878	38,574	133,540
Flour (Wheaten) .. .. .	1,034,013	1,647,465	1,044,442	3,925,273
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats .. .. .	33,303	31,357	33,323	377,845
Other .. .. .	32,698	51,320	75,841	251,744
Maccaroni and Vermicelli .. .. .	2,722	18,348	2,865	63,610
Biscuits .. .. .	38,987	4,852	280,612	50,748
Other .. .. .	2,167	1,885	5,980	6,065
<b>Vegetables—</b>				
Potatoes, Fresh .. .. .	43,085	895	169,493	72,064
Potatoes, Dried .. .. .	631,026	55,565	692,058	55,565
Peas .. .. .	44,527	30,057	139,043	119,709
Preserved in liquid and pulped .. .. .	288,455	78,973	848,560	142,153
Other .. .. .	53,184	16,538	70,692	34,363
<b>Fruits—</b>				
Fresh .. .. .	20,388	41,930	105,155	260,040
Dried .. .. .	29,009	70,374	371,565	1,023,115
Preserved in liquid .. .. .	96,804	246,001	250,940	748,741
Pulped .. .. .	1,085	17,906	1,085	39,001
Jams and Jellies .. .. .	224,576	191,506	607,710	590,143
Other Vegetable Foodstuffs .. .. .	128,896	175,167	348,910	858,337
<b>Total, Class II. .. .. .</b>	<b>2,730,305</b>	<b>3,079,135</b>	<b>5,099,859</b>	<b>9,278,191</b>
<b>CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS .. .. .</b>				
	83,086	73,318	272,567	382,570
<b>CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF .. .. .</b>				
	5,875	1,546	30,841	4,284

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS .. ..	8,280	60,879	14,417	112,968
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES, NOT FOODSTUFFS—				
Hides and Skins—				
Rabbit and Hare .. ..	163,011	146,904	1,864,990	1,711,489
Calf, Cattle, and Horse .. ..	9,242	18,716	61,653	39,064
Sheep .. ..	336,523	675,777	1,186,644	2,994,334
Other .. ..	20,780	14,404	80,101	103,239
Wool—				
Greasy .. ..	3,958,900	7,131,863	6,713,620	14,428,105
Scoured, Tops, and Waste .. ..	1,078,920	2,083,608	3,057,053	6,209,076
Other Animal Substances .. ..	1,536	6,679	5,169	13,583
Total, Class VI. .. ..	5,568,912	10,077,951	12,969,230	25,498,890
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—				
Fibres .. ..	171,420	110,499	410,405	319,422
Other Vegetable Substances .. ..	19,505	28,435	68,246	107,240
Total, Class VII. .. ..	190,925	138,934	478,651	426,662
CLASS VIII.—YARNS AND MANUFACTURED FIBRES, TEXTILES AND APPAREL—				
Yarns and Manufactured Fibres .. ..	228,856	212,967	408,562	700,192
Textiles .. ..	877,977	361,238	1,109,383	2,045,608
Apparel .. ..	305,501	480,410	837,754	1,442,856
Total, Class VIII. .. ..	1,412,334	1,054,615	2,355,699	4,188,656
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—				
Tallow, unrefined .. ..	3,368	34,124	65,362	64,679
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes .. ..	45,571	57,199	100,815	186,577
Total, Class IX. .. ..	48,939	91,323	166,177	251,256
CLASS X.—PIGMENTS, PAINTS, AND VARNISHES .. ..	4,229	11,147	7,856	30,415
CLASS XI.—ROCKS, MINERALS, ETC. ..	10,975	194,061	22,563	424,794
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANU- FACTURES AND MACHINERY—				
Metals and Metal Manufactures (except Electrical) .. ..	406,193	800,376	1,181,024	2,657,306
Dynamo Electrical Machinery and Appliances .. ..	40,879	56,857	65,086	175,894
Machines and Machinery (except Dynamo Electrical) .. ..	211,501	443,515	460,436	1,025,445
Total, Class XII. .. ..	658,573	1,300,748	1,706,546	3,858,645

VALUES OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES EXPORTED TO OVERSEA COUNTRIES FROM  
VICTORIAN PORTS—*continued*.

Article.	Quarter Ended 31st March—		Nine Months Ended 31st March—	
	1946.	1947.	1946.	1947.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF—	£	£	£	£
Rubber and Rubber Manufactures ..	40,524	62,976	170,596	313,863
Leather and Leather Manufactures ..	147,535	299,274	360,140	983,300
Total, Class XIII. ..	188,059	362,250	530,736	1,297,163
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER ..	16,630	11,993	74,191	32,476
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS, AND GLASSWARE ..	11,630	12,470	29,624	50,816
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY—				
Pulp, Paper, and Board .. ..	7,213	19,530	12,139	87,260
Paper Manufactures and Stationery ..	31,481	52,221	80,576	177,900
Total, Class XVI. ..	38,694	71,751	92,715	265,160
CLASS XVII.—FANCY GOODS, JEWELLERY AND TIMEPIECES .. ..	28,753	20,792	63,049	112,994
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS .. ..	25,839	57,938	59,669	141,405
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, FERTILIZERS AND CHEMICALS— —				
Soap .. ..	55,419	41,517	142,311	143,769
Fertilizers .. ..	525	15	567	624
Other Drugs and Chemicals ..	165,871	291,750	404,258	1,228,864
Total, Class XIX. ..	221,815	333,282	547,136	1,373,257
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS—				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives ..	18,115	51,596	92,784	102,501
Personal and Household Effects ..	34,603	39,690	61,504	176,191
All Other Articles .. ..	125,958	84,412	354,775	405,449
Total, Class XX. ..	178,676	175,698	509,063	684,141
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; BRONZE SPECIE .. ..	23,081,015	..	26,411,224	9,454
Australian Produce .. ..	37,359,489	21,883,966	59,660,068	63,022,244
Other Produce .. ..	481,116	110,073	720,420	439,250
Grand Total .. ..	37,849,695	21,994,039	60,380,488	63,461,494



# IMPORTS (ACCORDING TO COUNTRY OF ORIGIN) INTO VICTORIAN PORTS FROM PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES, AND EXPORTS DIRECT THERETO FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.

Imports of Products or Manufactures of—	Year Ended 30th June—			Nine Months Ended 31st March, 1947 (a).
	1939.	1941.	1946.	
	British Currency Values—			
	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom .. .. .	14,540,751	22,648,019	21,915,973	18,582,488
Africa, British East .. .. .	36,197	90,539	325,498	201,696
Canada .. .. .	2,665,240	3,238,898	2,713,155	3,164,720
Ceylon .. .. .	213,320	158,294	2,265,887	1,634,522
Hong Kong .. .. .	7,251	13,534	1,841	13,962
India .. .. .	793,488	2,389,404	3,312,927	3,686,767
Malaya (British) .. .. .	485,251	1,015,901	2,582	764,083
New Zealand .. .. .	991,983	953,312	1,118,320	1,167,122
Pacific Islands (British) .. .. .	671,247	512,846	3,925	20,123
South African Union .. .. .	84,676	99,744	308,893	450,572
Other British Possessions .. .. .	184,702	757,052	730,326	941,441
Bahrein Island .. .. .	266,517	200,485	328,675	986,056
Belgium .. .. .	353,216	21,033	45,289	235,663
China .. .. .	140,900	199,109	8,782	204,459
Egypt .. .. .	70,436	64,891	334,964	330,535
France .. .. .	394,105	37,547	9,001	260,789
Germany .. .. .	1,537,847	62,305	9,857	43,508
Iran .. .. .	382,568	230,782	1,965,770	1,687,591
Italy .. .. .	257,160	36,528	2,839	398,808
Japan .. .. .	1,716,486	1,772,745	588	261,486
Netherlands .. .. .	209,945	82,278	1,518	50,440
Netherlands East Indies .. .. .	2,044,057	2,212,788	29,583	42,832
Norway .. .. .	143,595	18,925	11,092	132,805
Philippine Islands .. .. .	41,002	45,876	262	25
Sweden .. .. .	459,959	56,029	283,984	530,355
Switzerland .. .. .	406,975	192,749	316,495	239,351
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .. .. .	74,261	9,847	3,506	6,948
United States of America .. .. .	4,792,784	7,924,046	15,972,840	9,129,572
Other Foreign Countries .. .. .	744,340	337,898	1,077,677	844,408
Country not stated .. .. .	..	..	125,532	157,399
Total (excluding Outside Packages) ..	34,710,259	45,383,404	53,227,581	46,170,526

Exports to—	Australian Currency Values—			
United Kingdom .. .. .	15,266,925	16,805,803	39,288,645	18,359,903
Africa, British East .. .. .	2,625	93,340	44,640	51,453
Canada .. .. .	492,839	999,978	1,516,156	1,179,753
Ceylon .. .. .	144,742	315,199	2,413,350	1,890,107
Hong Kong .. .. .	164,238	375,951	1,081,189	1,865,662
India .. .. .	342,958	1,104,780	7,242,324	3,185,734
Malaya (British) .. .. .	618,214	1,164,856	1,913,222	5,373,646
New Zealand .. .. .	1,906,752	1,958,097	2,173,421	3,134,280
Pacific Islands (British) .. .. .	255,695	298,361	487,945	162,388
South African Union .. .. .	500,433	356,700	617,960	1,204,835
Other British Possessions .. .. .	307,906	525,178	1,189,833	2,685,223
Bahrein Island .. .. .	948	2,265	2,796	18,342
Belgium .. .. .	654,276	..	1,274,219	2,146,323
China .. .. .	576,750	1,194,347	160,558	1,340,094
Egypt .. .. .	73,572	1,226,720	841,361	945,704
France .. .. .	2,167,616	12,311	2,601,313	3,129,229
Germany .. .. .	450,788	..	..	53,854
Iran .. .. .	26	..	43,703	189,569
Italy .. .. .	272,391	..	134,535	2,073,150
Japan .. .. .	1,690,971	701,200	24,477	92,111
Netherlands .. .. .	149,453	315	114,922	176,491
Netherlands East Indies .. .. .	613,570	1,297,133	314,531	26,099
Norway .. .. .	17,963	..	15,215	95,849
Philippine Islands .. .. .	96,968	98,192	905	64,106
Sweden .. .. .	171,354	..	257,510	651,365
Switzerland .. .. .	4,002	..	38,647	170,925
U.S.S.R. (Russia) .. .. .	..	16	351,657	262,490
United States of America .. .. .	3,378,036	14,460,565	9,371,224	10,443,083
Other Foreign Counties .. .. .	497,001	638,364	1,221,679	2,489,726
Country not stated .. .. .	..	1,627,770	1,178,428	..
Total .. .. .	30,819,012	45,257,441	75,916,365	63,461,494

(a) Subject to revision.

# QUANTITIES AND VALUES OF THE PRINCIPAL COMMODITIES EXPORTED FROM VICTORIAN PORTS.

(AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY VALUES.)

Commodity.			Year Ended 30th June—			Nine Months Ended 31st March, 1947 (a).
			1944.	1945.	1946.	
Wool—						
Greasy	..	.. { lb. £	102,687,848 8,175,116	134,674,426 10,504,923	122,598,522 (b) 9,718,556	141,187,414 14,428,105
Scoured and Washed..	..	.. { lb. £	14,611,839 1,783,890	18,376,296 2,149,169	17,577,493 2,421,215	24,976,238 4,666,825
Tops, Nolls, and Waste	..	.. { lb. £	9,136,602 1,860,512	9,878,048 1,959,552	8,557,169 2,110,684	7,494,759 1,542,251
Butter	..	.. { lb. £	49,490,628 3,299,164	50,340,413 4,381,131	57,714,740 (b) 5,116,989	70,291,623 4,657,673
Wheat	..	.. { centsals £	2,370,710 952,342	22,943 10,349	144 122	410,769 311,832
Flour (wheaten)	..	.. { centsals £	3,494,116 1,994,574	2,973,159 1,689,926	2,556,857 2,897,017	2,676,043 3,925,273
Fruits—						
Dried	..	.. { lb. £	107,942,369 1,950,668	106,270,439 2,025,967	63,089,291 1,393,976	42,971,155 1,023,115
Fresh	..	.. { lb. £	6,390,600 157,497	7,270,800 143,913	17,666,700 297,547	10,119,600 260,040
Preserved in Liquid	..	.. { lb. £	3,758,560 128,885	9,921,572 183,678	23,545,821 518,786	28,766,924 748,741
Meats—						
Beef (frozen)	..	.. { lb. £	1,294,546 35,018	8,457,401 237,049	1,212,459 37,622	15,992,729 389,286
Lamb (frozen)	..	.. { lb. £	82,627,738 2,383,616	62,345,457 1,857,590	18,560,104 568,285	78,384,391 2,531,750
Mutton (frozen)	..	.. { lb. £	11,173,911 181,741	19,470,482 387,708	8,884,125 190,576	28,802,386 466,719
Pork (frozen)	..	.. { lb. £	4,141,392 154,114	13,346,400 509,909	10,479,042 409,856	3,649,609 149,048
Rabbits and Hares (frozen)	..	.. { pairs £	328,487 28,520	1,379,537 160,675	1,035,311 109,044	2,210,673 261,758
Preserved in Tins	..	.. { lb. £	13,050,951 642,728	22,291,310 1,132,070	28,092,602 1,461,462	25,058,763 1,563,664
Sausage Casings	..	.. { cwt. £	12,989 281,977	13,818 300,651	7,196 174,749	8,805 141,371
All Other Meats	..	.. £	283,506	663,403	228,977	379,324
Milk and Cream	..	.. { lb. £	23,861,695 832,479	30,253,715 1,051,847	43,042,034 1,569,404	56,485,261 2,209,058
Hides and Skins—						
Sheep	..	.. { lb. £	15,139,758 639,118	24,196,964 1,002,186	45,210,025 1,923,515	49,072,784 2,994,334
Calf, Cattle, Horse	..	.. { No. £	43,658 56,754	27,083 95,681	63,389 81,021	15,516 39,064
Rabbit and Hare	..	.. { lb. £	5,906,243 2,072,741	5,750,112 1,750,681	6,203,553 2,616,670	3,727,885 1,711,489
Other Skins	..	.. £	258,539	173,898	94,070	103,239
Tallow (unrefined)	..	.. { cwt. £	190,907 278,402	115,722 193,001	36,555 71,091	12,149 64,679
Eggs in shell	..	.. { dozen £	10,550 866	55,920 3,749	1,880,850 126,923	3,426,741 226,004
Eggs not in Shell	..	.. { lb. £	1,975,664 133,418	884,359 60,636	7,563,634 531,365	5,745,114 530,379
Cheese	..	.. { lb. £	14,882,977 986,770	16,573,648 1,086,603	11,919,546 642,376	21,858,114 1,007,660

(a) Subject to revision.

(b) Revised figures.



## VI.—LAND TRANSPORT.

## VICTORIA—RAILWAYS (EXCLUDING ELECTRIC TRAMWAYS AND ROAD MOTOR SERVICES UNDER THE CONTROL OF RAILWAYS COMMISSIONERS).

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—				Six Months Ended 31st December, 1946.
	1939.	1944.	1945.	1946.	
Average Mileage Operated ..	4,754	4,748	4,748	4,748	(b)
Traffic Train Miles Run '000	17,890	16,413	16,337	16,344	8,051
Passengers Journeys .. '000	142,124	194,138	195,698	196,118	91,925
Goods Carried tons '000	5,250	7,564	7,275	6,609	3,215
Live Stock Carried (a) tons '000	726	789	730	620	(b)

(a) Estimated.

(b) Not available.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Gross Revenue .. .. . £'000	9,284	15,882	15,258	14,675
Working Expenses .. .. . £'000	8,060	13,214	12,832	12,531
Net Earnings (a) .. .. . £'000	1,224	2,668	2,426	2,144
Net Earnings on Capital Cost (b) .. %	2·33	5·06	4·59	4·55

(a) Before the payment of capital charges, viz., interest, exchange, sinking fund, &amp;c.

(b) Capital cost as written down in accordance with *Railways (Finances Adjustment) Act 1936*.

## MELBOURNE AND METROPOLITAN TRAMWAYS BOARD.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Tramway Track Open—				
Double .. .. . miles (a)	127·344	123·542	124·778	124·777
Single .. .. . miles	5·915	6·643	6·615	6·591
Motor Omnibus Route .. .. . miles	48·616	66·718	67·613	68·602
Vehicle Mileage—				
Tramways .. .. . miles	22,980,520	23,000,054	22,730,635	22,673,730
Motor Omnibuses .. .. . miles	2,164,930	8,524,186	8,146,473	7,865,400
Passenger Journeys—				
Tramways .. .. . No.	182,094,402	278,451,170	284,139,431	281,198,208
Motor Omnibuses .. .. . No.	11,911,439	71,631,912	70,663,685	70,196,236
Revenue—	£	£	£	£
Traffic Receipts .. .. .	2,304,946	3,941,680	3,990,553	4,004,377
Other .. .. .	15,280	14,442	15,482	16,563
Total Revenue .. .. .	2,320,226	3,956,122	4,006,035	4,020,940
Operating Expenses (b) .. .. .	1,516,717	2,491,649	2,530,165	2,602,944
Surplus on Operation .. .. .	803,509	1,464,473	1,475,870	1,417,996

(a) Including 7·894 miles of cable tramway. The cable tramway service ceased operation on 26th October, 1940.

(b) Excluding interest and other charges and appropriations.

## VICTORIA—MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles—				Motor Cycles.
	Private.	Commercial and Hire.	Primary Producers' (a).	Total.	

## REGISTRATION OF NEW VEHICLES.

1938-39 Year .. .. .	15,249	3,953	2,494	21,696	2,140
1943-44 „ .. .. .	545	2,721	509	3,775	60
1944-45 „ .. .. .	533	1,813	437	2,783	84
1945-46 „ .. .. .	1,205	2,039	311	3,555	377
Nine months ended 31st March, 1947 .. .. .	4,467	2,173	973	7,613	1,276

## RE-REGISTRATION OF USED VEHICLES.

1938-39 Year .. .. .	13,718	3,459	3,277	20,454	4,787
1943-44 „ .. .. .	13,920	2,481	2,909	19,310	4,224
1944-45 „ .. .. .	10,812	2,980	2,550	16,342	4,550
1945-46 „ .. .. .	12,417	6,586	2,924	21,927	6,235
Nine months ended 31st March, 1947 .. .. .	6,783	4,314	1,868	12,965	4,438

## RENEWALS OF REGISTRATION.

1938-39 Year .. .. .	122,164	28,750	41,656	192,570	19,771
1943-44 „ .. .. .	119,528	32,475	49,277	201,280	13,643
1944-45 „ .. .. .	127,119	35,139	52,014	214,272	15,164
1945-46 „ .. .. .	120,735	38,309	52,747	211,791	16,616
Nine months ended 31st March, 1947 .. .. .	105,473	32,665	40,651	178,789	14,815

(a) Includes private cars and commercial vehicles, separate particulars of which are not available.

## VICTORIA—TRANSPORT BOARD LICENCES.

Type of Licence.	Licences in Force at 30th June—			
	1939.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Temporary Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles .. ..	79	279	467	1,102
Commercial Goods Vehicles .. ..	1,098	170	282	431
Total, Temporary Licences .. ..	1,177	449	749	1,533
Permanent “Discretionary” Licences—				
Commercial Passenger Vehicles .. ..	976	954	596	1,049
Commercial Goods Vehicles .. ..	1,894	644	442	822
Total, “Discretionary” Licences .. ..	2,870	1,598	1,038	1,871
Licences Issued “As of Right”—				
To operate for hire or reward—				
Within 25 miles of Melbourne .. ..	4,751	6,111	6,465	7,937
Within 25 miles of Ballarat, Bendigo, or Geelong .. ..	439	724	791	903
Within 20 miles of places of business of owners outside radius of Melbourne, Ballarat, Bendigo, and Geelong .. ..	4,203	5,570	6,385	7,392
Primary Producers .. ..	699	1,895	2,615	3,285
Commercial Goods Vehicles owned by Butter and Cheese Factories .. ..	297	360	368	418
Ancillary Carriers .. ..	20,062	18,482	19,578	24,298
Vehicles carrying Third Schedule Goods, Racecourse Floats, Petroleum Tank Wagons, and Commercial Travellers' Vehicles .. ..	914	1,071	1,261	2,584
Commercial Passenger Hire Vehicles .. ..	..	462	538	800
Total, “As of Right” .. ..	31,365	34,675	38,001	47,617
Additional Licences to Commercial Goods Vehicles to Carry Passengers .. ..	558	199	187	207
Grand Total .. ..	35,970	36,921	39,975	51,228

## VICTORIA—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

(As reported to the Police.)

Period.	Number of Accidents in which Persons were Killed or Injured.	Number of Persons Killed.	Number of Persons Injured.	Number of Accidents in which no Person was Killed or Injured.	Total Number of Accidents.
<i>City of Melbourne.</i>					
1938-39 Year ..	1,537	53	1,650	4,087	5,624
1944-45 „ ..	831	37	893	1,192	2,023
1945-46 „ ..	1,064	42	1,156	1,557	2,621
6 months ended 31st December, 1946 ..	545	13	626	1,091	1,636
<i>Metropolitan Area (excluding City of Melbourne).</i>					
1938-39 Year ..	3,856	209	4,244	5,832	9,688
1944-45 „ ..	1,952	93	2,149	1,784	3,736
1945-46 „ ..	2,778	120	3,209	2,725	5,503
6 months ended 31st December, 1946 ..	1,757	69	2,005	1,952	3,709
<i>Outside Metropolitan Area.</i>					
1938-39 Year ..	1,705	218	2,180	2,462	4,167
1944-45 „ ..	1,044	130	1,326	1,047	2,091
1945-46 „ ..	1,443	174	1,837	1,604	3,047
6 months ended 31st December, 1946 ..	867	89	1,166	930	1,797
<i>Total—Victoria.</i>					
1938-39 Year ..	7,098	480	8,074	12,381	19,479
1944-45 „ ..	3,827	260	4,368	4,023	7,850
1945-46 „ ..	5,285	336	6,202	5,886	11,171
6 months ended 31st December, 1946 ..	3,169	171	3,797	3,973	7,142

## VII.—FINANCE.

## VICTORIA—CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Revenue.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Taxation (a) .. ..	10,085	5,331	4,100	4,295	4,669
Railways .. ..	9,349	17,070	16,109	15,590	14,822
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	2,300	2,742	2,687	2,728	2,551
Land .. ..	387	723	972	938	882
Interest n.e.i. .. ..	1,881	1,591	1,528	1,474	1,511
Commonwealth Payments—					
Under Financial Agreement ..	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127	2,127
Income Tax Reimbursement (b) ..	..	5,159	6,318	6,423	6,431
Entertainments Tax Reimburse- ment (b) .. ..	..	280	373	373	373
All other Revenue .. ..	857	1,467	1,330	1,325	1,825
Total Revenue ..	26,986	36,490	35,544	35,273	35,191
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Revenue per Head of Population .. ..	14 7 10	18 10 3	17 17 5	17 11 9	17 8 4

(a) For details see page 24.

(b) Under the provisions of the Income and Entertainments Tax Reimbursements Acts of 1942.

## VICTORIA—EXPENDITURE FROM CONSOLIDATED REVENUE.

Heads of Expenditure.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
Public Debt Charges—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interest on Funded Debt ..	6,640	6,478	6,354	6,285	6,214
Exchange on Interest Payments ..	669	697	703	687	645
Sinking Fund Contributions ..	859	1,118	1,192	1,327	1,407
Other .. ..	62	82	151	133	137
Railways .. ..	7,694	13,608	12,790	12,427	12,073
Other Business and Industrial Undertakings .. ..	980	1,362	1,454	1,579	1,802
Education .. ..	3,123	3,358	3,654	3,976	4,362
Public Health .. ..	143	107	116	175	199
Hospitals .. ..	1,054	1,536	1,676	1,813	2,042
Other Charities (a) .. ..	2,302	1,517	908	760	584
Law, Order, and Public Safety ..	1,285	1,940	1,814	1,789	1,769
All other Expenditure .. ..	2,962	3,933	4,112	3,973	3,951
Total Expenditure ..	27,773	35,736	34,924	34,924	35,185
Total Expenditure per Head of Population .. ..	£ s. d. 14 16 4	£ s. d. 18 2 7	£ s. d. 17 11 2	£ s. d. 17 8 3	£ s. d. 17 8 3

(a) Including contributions to Unemployment Relief Fund.

## VICTORIA—STATE TAXATION.

Tax.	Year Ended 30th June—				
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.	1946.
State Taxation Collections—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income Taxes (a) .. ..	6,251	1,731	199	94	86
Land Tax .. ..	482	355	360	358	321
Probate Duty .. ..	1,374	1,518	1,778	1,854	1,825
Stamp Duties, n.e.i. .. ..	960	809	824	887	1,071
Motor Taxation .. ..	1,914	1,493	1,582	1,655	1,847
Entertainments .. ..	677	487	488	646	878
Liquor .. ..	255	362	382	382	389
All other Taxes .. ..	110	106	102	107	110
Paid to Consolidated Revenue ..	10,085	5,331	4,100	4,295	4,669
Paid to Special Funds .. ..	1,938	1,530	1,615	1,688	1,858
Total .. ..	12,023	6,861	5,715	5,983	6,527
Commonwealth Reimbursements—					
Income Tax .. ..	..	5,159	6,318	6,423	6,431
Entertainments Tax .. ..	..	280	373	373	373
Total .. ..	..	5,439	6,691	6,796	6,804
Grand Total .. ..	12,023	12,300	12,406	12,779	13,331
Per head of Population—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
State Collections .. ..	6 8 3	3 9 7	2 17 6	2 19 8	3 4 7
Commonwealth Reimbursements ..	..	2 15 2	3 7 3	3 7 9	3 7 4
Total .. ..	6 8 3	6 4 9	6 4 9	6 7 5	6 11 11

(a) Including Unemployment Relief Tax.



## VICTORIA—STATE EXPENDITURE FROM LOAN FUNDS AND ON ACCOUNT OF LOANS.

Heads of Expenditure.	During Year Ended 30th June—			Total to 30th June, 1946.
	1944.	1945.	1946.	
Public Works—				
Railways—	£	£	£	£
As reduced .. .. .	486,388	496,294	389,434	51,013,952
Transferred .. .. .	..	..	..	29,134,658
Roads and Bridges .. .. .	165	9,443	11,119	12,666,519
Water Supply and Sewerage .. .. .	143,178	315,729	435,575	32,766,958
Electricity Supply .. .. .	..	..	..	17,839,227
Public Buildings—				
Schools .. .. .	77,072	164,784	177,107	6,443,502
Hospitals .. .. .	46,009	605,747	118,020	1,514,403
Other .. .. .	36,396	49,076	66,890	1,570,237
Housing .. .. .	..	750,000	25,285	1,965,285
Unemployment Relief .. .. .	3,938	3,891	433	13,147,158
Other Public Works .. .. .	3,770	..	14,767	3,772,438
Primary Production—				
Land Settlement (a) .. .. .	..	..	69,378	41,640,312
Advances to Settlers .. .. .	3,646	(b) 717,217	(b) 223,158	3,581,947
Wire Netting Advances .. .. .	60	79	5,878	885,729
Bulk Handling of Wheat .. .. .	..	..	..	1,000,000
Forestry .. .. .	282,411	480,600	657,029	3,099,120
Mining (including State Coal Mine) .. .. .	1,556	437	499	591,889
Other Primary Production .. .. .	..	45	9,562	1,106,869
Other Purposes .. .. .	..	90,000	..	450,950
Total Public Works, &c. .. .. .	1,084,589	3,683,342	2,204,134	224,191,153
In Aid of Revenue .. .. .	..	4,255,000	..	9,118,682
Grand Total .. .. .	1,084,589	7,938,342	2,204,134	233,309,835

(a) Including Soldier Settlement.

(b) Including Drought Relief, £625,000 in 1944-45, and £129,000 in 1945-46.

## VICTORIA—STATE PUBLIC DEBT.

At 30th June—	Repayable in—			Total.	Total Public Debt per Head of Population.
	London.	New York.	Australia.		
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£ s. d.
1914 .. .. .	39,275	..	26,856	66,131	46 10 1
1919 .. .. .	43,400	..	39,994	83,394	56 11 8
1929 .. .. .	59,835	4,658	89,336	153,829	86 19 7
1939 .. .. .	62,498	4,499	112,701	179,698	95 16 3
1946 .. .. .	56,158	4,499	119,070	179,727	88 9 11

## ALL CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (a)—AVERAGE DEPOSITS AND ADVANCES IN VICTORIA.

Period.	Deposits—			Advances.
	Bearing Interest.	Not Bearing Interest.	Total.	
1945-46—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
December Quarter .. .. .	83,215	121,397	204,612	68,397
March Quarter .. .. .	80,709	132,062	212,771	73,606
June Quarter .. .. .	78,887	134,872	213,759	80,607
1946-47—				
September Quarter .. .. .	77,315	131,631	208,946	79,612
December Quarter .. .. .	73,165	137,841	211,006	83,425
March Quarter .. .. .	73,248	147,612	220,860	88,076

(a) Compiled from returns lodged under *Banking Act* 1945. Includes General Banking Division of Commonwealth Bank of Australia and twelve other banks.

## MELBOURNE BANKS' CLEARING HOUSE.

Period.								Total Amount Cleared.
								£'000
'929 Year	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	814,668
1939	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	864,631
1943	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,414,210
1944	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,448,005
1945	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,484,398
1946	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,825,986
1946—March Quarter	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	422,340
June Quarter	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	465,192
September Quarter	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	452,795
December Quarter	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	485,659
1947—March Quarter	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	432,981

## SAVINGS BANKS—DEPOSITS IN VICTORIA.

Period.				Deposits—			Total Deposits per Head of Population.
				State Savings Bank (a).	Commonwealth Savings Bank.	Total.	
				£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	
At 30th June—							£ s. d.
1929	..	..	..	66,130	6,577	72,707	41 2 2
1931	..	..	..	57,138	6,104	63,242	35 2 10
1939	..	..	..	69,219	11,242	80,461	42 15 4
1943	..	..	..	97,517	23,732	121,249	61 3 7
1944	..	..	..	122,682	31,205	153,887	77 9 7
1945	..	..	..	143,216	38,933	182,149	90 10 5
1946	..	..	..	163,723	47,603	211,326	104 2 2
At 31st December, 1946	..	..	..	163,828	46,763	210,591	103 13 11
At 31st March, 1947	..	..	..	164,105	46,692	210,797	103 15 11

(a) Includes School Bank and Deposit Stock Accounts.

## VICTORIA—MORTGAGES OF REAL ESTATE.

Period.			Mortgages Registered during Period.					
			Under Transfer of Land Acts (a).		Under Property Law Act (b).		Total.	
			Number.	Considera- tion (c).	Number.	Considera- tion (c).	Number.	Considera- tion (c).
Year ended	31st		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.	
December—								
1929 ..	..	27,916	21,082	899	968	28,815	22,050	
1939 ..	..	19,144	12,244	853	773	19,997	13,017	
1944 ..	..	8,397	4,097	417	249	8,814	4,346	
1945 ..	..	10,237	4,771	490	389	10,727	5,160	
1946 ..	..	18,055	7,030	801	456	18,856	7,486	
1947—								
March Quarter		4,469	2,715	177	43	4,646	2,758	

(a) Mortgages under the Transfer of Land Act are in respect of land brought under such Act subsequent to 1862 and land alienated by the Crown since that date.

(b) Mortgages under the Property Law Act are in respect of land alienated by the Crown prior to 1862 and not subsequently brought under the Transfer of Land Act.

(c) Excluding the amounts owing under mortgages given to secure overdrafts on current accounts.



## VICTORIA—COMPANIES REGISTERED UNDER COMPANIES ACT.

Particulars.	Year Ended 31st December—				Three Months Ended 31st March, 1947.
	1929.	1939.	1945.	1946.	
Number registered during period—					
Victorian Trading .. ..	926	537	170	784	164
Foreign .. ..	62	37	28	68	18
Mining .. ..	22	28	2	10	3
Total .. ..	1,010	602	200	862	185
Nominal Capital of Companies registered during period—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading .. ..	44,083	17,302	3,570	13,782	2,368
Foreign .. ..	(a)	8,975	15,523	19,764	3,186
Mining .. ..	1	..	20	88	25
Number of Existing Companies at end of period—					
Victorian .. ..	7,259	10,229	8,704	9,369	9,533
Foreign .. ..	899	643	751	804	816
Increase during the period in nominal Capital of Existing Companies—	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Victorian Trading .. ..	10,246	6,854	1,582	11,560	2,686
Mining .. ..	244	1,097	30	90	220

(a) Not available.

## VIII.—PRODUCTION.

## VICTORIA—RAINFALL, YEARLY RECORDS AND MEANS.

Year Ended 31st December.	Districts.								Whole State.
	Mallee.	Wimmera.	Northern.	North-Central.	North-Eastern.	Western.	Central.	Gippsland.	
	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.
1941 ..	12·23	20·14	17·31	25·39	30·41	29·73	31·53	33·13	24·29
1942 ..	14·31	22·04	19·66	31·91	38·28	30·54	29·68	31·59	26·28
1943 ..	8·25	13·48	10·98	20·22	26·76	25·86	22·46	30·05	19·44
1944 ..	6·59	10·46	9·24	17·10	20·72	24·30	23·97	27·54	17·09
1945 ..	9·63	15·20	14·84	21·71	29·97	25·21	22·25	28·60	20·50
1946 ..	14·07	22·07	17·76	29·86	39·85	40·20	33·04	41·19	29·37
Averages (a) ..	12·49	17·52	18·09	27·06	34·81	27·53	29·64	33·47	24·28

(a) Averages for a standard 30 years' period, 1911–1940.

## VICTORIA—ACREAGE, PRODUCTION, AND AVERAGE YIELD OF PRINCIPAL CROPS.

Season.	For Grain—			Hay.	Potatoes.	Grapes for Drying (a).	Fruit (b).
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.				

*Area of Crops.*

	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1942-43 ..	2,145,156	428,043	77,842	788,792	51,757	34,028	56,084
1943-44 ..	1,793,428	426,305	83,259	740,672	70,430	34,077	57,023
1944-45 ..	2,141,729	722,169	129,054	901,983	83,238	34,220	55,246
1945-46 ..	3,251,393	511,483	134,132	1,060,496	63,000	33,607	56,512

*Total Production.*

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons (d).	
1942-43 ..	41,803,107	6,637,944	1,273,704	1,051,107	195,138	55,059	..
1943-44 ..	19,733,322	3,704,985	1,078,128	963,103	217,380	58,838	..
1944-45 ..	3,497,677	1,335,429	359,536	704,246	305,216	39,934	..
1945-46 ..	29,633,760	7,401,816	1,743,754	1,444,250	230,749	49,430	..

*Average Yield per Acre.*

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons (d).	
1942-43 ..	19·49	15·51	16·36	1·33	3·77	1·62	..
1943-44 ..	11·00	8·69	12·95	1·30	3·09	1·73	..
1944-45 ..	1·63	1·85	2·79	0·78	3·67	1·17	..
1945-46 ..	9·11	14·47	13·00	1·36	3·66	1·47	..

(a) Excluding table grapes, wine grapes and unproductive vines, the area of which in 1945-46 amounted to 1,546, 6,315, and 1,375 acres respectively.

(b) Productive orchards only. The area of unproductive orchards in 1945-46 was 12,967 acres. Owing to the varying units of quantity, total production cannot be conveniently shown in this statement. (See *Victorian Year-Book*).

(c) Including wheaten 114,165 acres and oaten 667,451 acres.

(d) Weight of dried produce.

## LIVE STOCK IN VICTORIA.

At 31st March.			Cattle—		Sheep.	Pigs.
			Horses (including Foals).	Dairy Cows (b).	Other.	
			No.	No.	No.	No.
1942 (a) .. ..	302,401	954,493	1,032,051	20,598,201	285,227	
1943 .. ..	292,534	937,164	1,085,728	19,614,040	307,929	
1944 .. ..	277,662	938,484	1,074,549	19,220,457	337,878	
1945 .. ..	253,782	925,307	977,803	16,457,101	296,232	
1946 .. ..	232,473	882,646	945,141	14,655,277	271,887	

(a) At 1st March.

(b) Includes Cows (in milk and dry) and Springing Heifers.

## VICTORIA—WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE.

Season.			Clip.	Stripped from and Exported on Skins, &c. (Greasy).	Total Quantity. (Greasy).	Gross Value.	Average Price per lb.
			lb.	lb.	lb.	£	d.
1940-41 .. ..	155,093,839	32,737,525	187,831,364	11,120,160	14·21		
1941-42 .. ..	170,876,572	42,042,469	212,919,041	12,593,512	14·20		
1942-43 .. ..	174,045,163	34,159,329	208,204,492	14,223,964	16·40		
1943-44 .. ..	163,838,577	32,576,650	196,415,227	13,290,073	16·24		
1944-45 .. ..	142,615,657	34,527,400	177,143,057	11,856,369	16·06		
1945-46 .. ..	109,236,140	43,161,367	152,397,507	9,527,048	15·00		

## VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.

Particulars.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Factories .. .. .	9,250	8,738	9,317	9,669
Persons employed (a)—				
Males .. .. .	136,218	175,340	175,049	174,424
Females .. .. .	65,613	87,017	86,250	83,209
Total .. .. .	201,831	262,357	261,299	257,633
Wages paid (b)—	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Males .. .. .	29,006	58,089	58,611	59,533
Females .. .. .	7,021	14,946	15,350	14,694
Total .. .. .	36,027	73,035	73,961	74,227
Value of—				
Fuel, light, and power used .. .. .	3,595	5,956	6,177	6,299
Lubricating oil and water used and repairs .. .. .	2,655	5,565	5,951	5,985
Materials used (including containers) .. .. .	80,722	144,778	149,189	152,761
Production (net) .. .. .	65,996	121,380	123,331	122,377
Output .. .. .	152,968	277,679	284,648	287,422
Land and buildings .. .. .	42,026	52,642	55,063	57,809
Machinery and plant .. .. .	38,570	51,963	55,458	58,571

(a) Average over whole year. Includes working proprietors.

(b) Excludes amounts drawn by working proprietors.

## VICTORIA—MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—VALUE ADDED IN PROCESS OF MANUFACTURE.

Class of Industry.	Year Ended 30th June—			
	1939.	1943.	1944.	1945.
	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.	£'000.
Treatment of non-metalliferous mine and quarry products .. .. .	1,576	1,274	1,221	1,271
Bricks, pottery, glass, &c. .. .. .	1,530	1,302	1,235	1,368
Chemicals, dyes, explosives, paints, oils and grease .. .. .	4,462	12,651	9,992	8,708
Industrial metals, machines, implements and conveyances .. .. .	16,460	45,236	47,602	44,084
Precious metals, jewellery and plate .. .. .	547	491	483	505
Textiles and textile goods (not dress) .. .. .	6,324	11,436	11,704	11,586
Skins and leather (not clothing or footwear) .. .. .	1,373	2,139	2,117	2,154
Clothing .. .. .	7,865	10,564	11,080	12,594
Food, drink and tobacco .. .. .	12,610	18,031	19,051	19,918
Woodworking and basketware .. .. .	2,391	3,595	4,070	4,202
Furniture, bedding, &c. .. .. .	1,281	1,229	1,139	1,143
Paper, stationery, printing, bookbinding, &c. .. .. .	4,930	5,964	6,292	6,795
Rubber .. .. .	1,573	2,015	1,888	2,007
Musical instruments .. .. .	24	17	17	21
Miscellaneous products .. .. .	722	2,035	2,203	2,540
Heat, light and power .. .. .	2,328	3,401	3,237	3,481
Total .. .. .	65,996	121,380	123,331	122,377

Note.—“ Added Value ” is the source from which provision is made for the following :—salaries and wages, depreciation, taxation, rent, insurance, miscellaneous expenses and profits.

STATE ELECTRICITY COMMISSION OF VICTORIA—BROWN COAL WON, BRIQUETTES  
MANUFACTURED AND ELECTRICITY SENT OUT.

Period.	Brown Coal Won.		Briquettes Manufactured.	Electricity Sent Out from Generat- ing Stations.
	New Cut.	Old Cut.		
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	kWh. millions.
1938-39 Year .. .. .	3,643,490	(a)	399,924	842·0
1943-44 .. .. .	4,829,481	86,725	416,715	1,402·9
1944-45 .. .. .	5,249,308	47,063	431,344	1,426·7
1945-46 .. .. .	5,448,626	49,237	493,144	1,514·3
1946-47—				
September Quarter .. .. .	1,494,647	32,980	137,403	432·5
December Quarter .. .. .	1,319,859	32,548	113,695	392·2
March Quarter .. .. .	1,424,083	40,591	137,914	368·3

(a) No operations in Old Cut during 1938-39.

IX.—MISCELLANEOUS.

GREATER MELBOURNE (a)—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY MUNICIPALITIES.  
(New Series.)

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.)		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1938 Year ..	5,333	5,318	531	1,641	6,124	1,446	11,988	8,405
1939 „ ..	5,148	5,370	483	1,655	6,113	1,658	11,744	8,683
1940 „ ..	5,686	6,827	410	2,166	5,569	1,462	11,665	10,455
1941 „ ..	6,193	6,849	250	921	5,392	1,403	11,835	9,173
1942 „ ..	262	225	58	260	2,135	636	2,455	1,121
1943 „ ..	80	43	39	513	3,450	550	3,569	1,106
1944 „ ..	263	177	30	126	6,398	895	6,691	1,198
1945 „ ..	1,944	2,059	107	443	6,644	1,046	8,695	3,548
1946 „ ..	7,292	9,875	241	1,314	7,882	1,520	15,415	12,709
1947— March Quarter	2,152	3,340	86	228	1,515	355	3,753	3,923

(a) The particulars are in respect of municipalities and parts of municipalities in the metropolitan areas re-defined from 1st January, 1947. The statement is, therefore, not comparable with information shown on page 30 of the *Quarterly Abstract of Statistics* for December, 1946 (No. 1).

*Note.*—The above statement is exclusive of Government buildings and of building operations by the Housing Commission of Victoria.



## VICTORIA—BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED BY TEN(a) PROVINCIAL MUNICIPALITIES.

Period.	New Buildings—				Alterations and Additions.		Total.	
	Dwellings (including Flats, Hotels, &c.)		Other Buildings.					
	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.	No.	Value.
		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.		£'000.
1939 Year ..	647	469	59	107	619	153	1,325	720
1940 .. ..	481	346	32	197	532	133	1,045	676
1941 .. ..	538	435	34	111	601	122	1,173	668
1942 .. ..	63	45	13	30	333	31	409	106
1943 .. ..	10	4	11	29	475	59	496	92
1944 .. ..	45	25	21	24	686	105	752	154
1945 .. ..	332	317	29	41	829	106	1,190	464
1946 .. ..	693	768	39	34	1,096	160	1,828	962
1947—								
March Quarter	202	239	13	23	238	43	453	305

(a) Includes the Cities of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong, Geelong West, Mildura, and Warrnambool, the Towns of Horsham, Newtown and Chilwell, and Sale, and the Borough of Shepparton.

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of Government buildings and of building operations by the Housing Commission of Victoria.

## HOUSING COMMISSION OF VICTORIA.

Period.	Contracts Let(a) during Period for the Erection of Dwelling Units.			Dwelling Units Completed during Period.		
	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.	Metropolitan Area.	Outside Metropolitan Area.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prior to 1941-42 ..	1,002	135	1,137	714	54	768
1941-42 Year ..	90	..	90	322	81	403
1942-43 .. ..	116	..	116	79	..	79
1943-44 .. ..	323	75	398	118	..	118
1944-45 .. ..	747	345	1,092	485	95	580
1945-46 .. ..	1,677	677	2,354	934	224	1,158
1946-47—						
September Quarter	574	215	789	253	87	340
December Quarter	523	296	819	293	115	408
March Quarter ..	189	56	245	162	165	327
Total to 31st March, 1947 ..	5,241	1,799	7,040	3,360	821	4,181

(a) Including work performed by day labour. The date of the letting of the first contract was 31st July, 1939.

Note.—The above statement is exclusive of houses erected by the Housing Commission of Victoria for the Commonwealth War Workers' Housing Trust.